Accidents in agriculture sector

332. DR. DASARI NARAYANA RAO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether any Central or State Scheme for insurance or payment of compensation to the victims of accidents in the agriculture sector is in operation in Andhra Pradesh;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the number of farmer victims of accidents who were compensated during the last three years, year-wise and district-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV): (a) and (b) Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Government of Andhra Pradesh, have informed that they do not have any Scheme for insurance and payment of compensation to the victims of accidents in the agriculture sector. The Dangerous Machines (Regulation) Act, 1983, a Central Act, has a provision that the employer shall be liable to pay compensation to the victim of the accident while operating power thresher.

(c) No accident on power thresher has been reported in Andhra Pradesh during the period.

Deporting breeding cattle imported by A.P.

333. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had asked the Andhra Pradesh Government to deport 200 breeding cattle, imported from Australia in the recent past;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the contention of the Andhra Pradesh Government in this regard?